

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department - Diversion of 4.753 Ha of Forest land in Botlavanaparthi and Medaram R.Fs. of Karimnagar (East) Division for excavation of underground twin tunnels, Access Tunnel, Surge Shaft and Pump House Complex etc., under Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Pranahita Chevella Sujala Sravanthi Link-II, Package No.6, in favour of Executive Engineer, I&CADD, Karimnagar - **In-principle (Stage.I)** approval accorded - Orders issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No. 611

Dated:21-12-2013

Read the following:-

1. From PCCF, A.P., Hyd. Lr.Rc.No. 27797/2013-F1(i), Dated. 05-12-2013.
2. GOI, MoEF, New Delhi, Lr.F.No.11-9/98-FC, dated.13-5-2011
3. GOI, MoEF, New Delhi, Lr.F.No.11-9/98-FC, dated.16-6-2011
4. GOI, MoEF, New Delhi, Lr.F.No.11-9/98-FC, dated.10-12-2012.

ORDER:

In the letter 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has submitted a proposal under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 4.753 Ha of Forest land in Botlavanaparthi and Medaram R.Fs. of Karimnagar (East) Division for excavation of underground twin tunnels, Access Tunnel, Surge Shaft and Pump House Complex etc., under Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Pranahita Chevella Sujala Sravanthi Link-II, Package No.6, in favour of Executive Engineer, I&CADD, Karimnagar and requested to accord approval in view of the guidelines issued by Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, vide letters 2nd to 4th read above.

2. Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, and in the light of the guidelines issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, in the references 2nd to 4th read above, hereby accord **in-principle (Stage-I)** approval for diversion of 4.753 Ha of Forest land in Botlavanaparthi and Medaram R.Fs. of Karimnagar (East) Division for excavation of underground twin tunnels, Access Tunnel, Surge Shaft and Pump House Complex etc., under Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Pranahita Chevella Sujala Sravanthi Link-II, Package No.6, in favour of Executive Engineer, I&CADD, Karimnagar, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) The demarcation of the forest area proposed for diversion shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency.
- (iii) The User Agency shall pay the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, dated:28.3.2008 and 9.5.2008 in IA Nos. 826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and as per the orders issued by Government of Andhra Pradesh vide Go.Ms.No.124 Environment, Forests, Science, & Technology (For.I) Department, dated:27.7.2010.
- (iv) Additional amount of the Net Present value (NPV) of the diverted forest land, if any becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be paid by the user agency. The user agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- (v) The funds received from the user agency towards Net Present value (NPV), under this project shall be deposited either in SB A/c No.SB01025198, Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF), Andhra Pradesh, Corporation Bank, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 (RTGS/IFSC No.CORP0000371) or in SB A/c No.344902010105 407 - Andhra Pradesh CAMPA, Union Bank of India, Sundar Nagar, New Delhi-110003 (RTGS/IFSC No.UBINO534498).

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- (vi) The proposal shall be examined under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as per the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment & Forests vide letter No. 11-9/1998 – FC(Pt) dated. 5-7-2013 and requisite certificates / documents be furnished.
- (vii) Other conditions specified in the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, letters 2nd to 4th read above, shall also be complied with by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad and the user agency with which they are concerned.
- (viii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 4.753 ha. In case the land is not taken over by the user agency or the same is not used for the stipulated purpose within a period of two years, then the area shall be taken back by the Forest Department.
- (ix) After receipt of the compliance report of the above conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. Transfer of forest land to the user agency shall not be effected prior to the issue of final approval. This approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years. In the event of non compliance of the above conditions, this approval shall automatically stand revoked.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, is therefore directed to take further necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M. SAMUEL,
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

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The Chief Executive Officer, (Ad-hoc CAMPA) and IGF (FC),
Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhavan,
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.

The Executive Engineer, I&CADD, Karimnagar
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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.